(c) the Government estimate of rate of increase of annual opportunities of employment in this sector during the past five years?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. CHANDRA SEKHAR RAO): (a) to (c) Estimates of employment and unemployment are obtained through quinquennial labour force surveys conducted by the National Sample Survey Organisation. Last such survey for which the results are available pertains to the year 1999-2000. As per these surveys, employment in trade on usual status basis has gone up from around 27.78 million in 1993-94 to 37.32 million in 1999-2000. Annual growth rate of employment during 1994—2000 in this sector was around 5.05%.

Job for educated unemployed youths in NE region

3267. SHRI NABAM REBIA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of schemes and programmes formulated and being implemented for providing jobs to educated unemployed youths of NER particularly in the Arunachal Pradesh; and

(b) the details of new schemes proposed to be formulated and implemented in NER?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. CHANDRA SEKHAR RAO): (a) and (b) Various Ministries/Departments of Central as well as State Governments are implementing various schemes in NER including Arunachal Pradesh for generation of employment opportunities for various categories of persons including educated unemployed youths. Some of the special employment generation schemes being implemented are Prime Minister's Rozgar Yojana (PMRY) Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY) and Swarnajayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY).

New deal for unorganized sector

3268. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are proposing to give favours for unorganized sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government are working out programmes that will offer a new deal for those;

(d) if so, whether Government are aware that Inspector Raj is plaguing tiny and small units;

(e) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(f) the steps taken in the direction to ease the situation?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. CHANDRA SEKHAR RAO): (a) to (f) The Government propose to enact a comprehensive legislation for the welfare of the workers in the unorganised sector.

The Government is aware of the burden of Inspections on tiny and small units to streamline and simplify inspections under various laws and to promote self regulation and self certification by small and medium enterprises, the Government has introduced the Small and Medium Enterprises Development (SMED) Bill, 2005 in the Lok Sabha.

Jobless graduates

3269. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of reports in print media on number of jobless graduates;

(b) whether it is a fact that number of unemployed is up three-fold in ten years;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) the steps taken by Government to provide employment to graduates within a reasonable time of two years; and

(e) if Government are not in a position to provide employment to graduates, it would grant "unemployment allowance" to them till they get a reasonable job?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. CHANDRA SEKHAR RAO): (a) and (b) Reports do appear from time to time in various media on employment and unemployment situation in the country. Estimates of employment and unemployment are obtained through quinquennial labour force surveys conducted by National Sample Survey Organisation.